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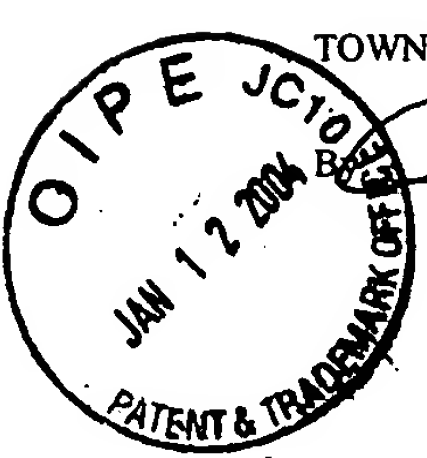
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In re application of:

Yasutomo Yamamoto, et al.

Application No.: 09/825,607

Filed: 04/03/2001

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
LOGICAL VOLUME REALLOCATION
(AS AMENDED)

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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